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PASS TO ICE ATTACHE MIKE LOONEY, KINGSTON FOR RSO AND DEA,  
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SUBJECT: POSSIBLE SMUGGLING OF ILLEGAL MIGRANTS OF MIDDLE  
EASTERN DECENT TO THE U.S.

REF: SENSITIVE BUT UNCLASSIFIED - CONTAINS LAW  
ENFORCEMENT INFORMATION

1. (SBU) Information was passed on October 27, 2005 to RSO John V. Kane  
by  
DEA Country Attachi (CA) Kevin Stanfill that DEA recently recruited a  
Confidential Informant (CI) in the Bahamas who is a boat captain by

SIPDIS  
trade. The CI returned from the United States in September 2005 to the  
Bahamas after serving five years in a U.S. federal prison for  
Conspiracy  
to Import/Distribute Cocaine.

2. (SBU) Upon the CI\_ return to the Bahamas, the CI was approached by  
several smugglers who attempted to recruit the CI to smuggle narcotics  
via  
vessel.

3. (SBU) In October 2005, the CI was approached by Paul Ferguson from  
Freeport, Grand Bahama (NFI), regarding the smuggling of illegal  
migrants  
into the United States. Ferguson told the CI that he had a contact in  
Jamaica who has persons of Middle Eastern decent who needed to be  
smuggled  
into the United States. The DEA Case Agent, Mike Bulgrin had the CI  
reconfirm that the persons that Ferguson was speaking about were Middle  
Easterners. The CI reconfirmed this to SA Bulgrin after a conversation  
with Ferguson. Ferguson went on to tell the CI that the smuggling route  
would be Jamaica to Haiti and finally to South Florida.

4. (SBU) RSO is attempting to get further information regarding  
Ferguson  
and has spoken with Royal Bahamas Police Force Inspector Steve  
Strachan,  
who works for the Security and Intelligence Branch in Freeport, Grand  
Bahama. Inspector Strachan said that he would do records checks on the  
name Paul Ferguson and pass the information to RSO. Interestingly  
enough  
a check of the Consular Consolidated Database revealed that there are  
only  
two Paul Ferguson\_ that have been issued visas in the Bahamas. One is  
Paul Racardo Robert Ferguson, DOB June 7, 1969 and the other Paul Novel  
Ferguson, DOB December 2, 1973.

5. (SBU) RSO has passed the above information on to FBI A/LAT and ICE  
Attachi. Contact for this information is RSO John V. Kane, office  
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